



# MINUTES

## CITY COUNCIL

### ADJOURNED and REGULAR MEETING

### September 28, 2004

#### **This is to certify that:**

The San Bruno City Council met in an adjourned session on September 28, 2004, at 1555 Crystal Springs Road San Bruno, California. Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Presiding was Vice Mayor O'Connell and in attendance was Councilmembers Ruane, Ibarra, and Pallas. Mayor Franzella was noted absent with notice. Recording by City Clerk Simon.

#### **The following citizens were interviewed** for a position on committees, boards, and commissions:

Theresa Cook San Luis Ave, Rico Medina Green Ave, Joseph Sammut San Antonio Ave, Sujendra Mishra Sylvan Ave, Marita Cooke Bennington Drive, Susan Morton Kains Ave, George Peponis London Court, John Giuseponi Princeton Drive, and Brian Fearon Georgia Ave.

**Vice Mayor O'Connell** announced an interview for those unable to attend tonight, would take place at 6:30 p.m. October 12, 2004. Appointments would be made during the Council Meeting of October 26, 2004.

**Meeting adjourned** at 6:45 p.m. to the regular City Council meeting, which will start at 7:00 p.m.

Vice Mayor O'Connell thanked the **San Bruno Garden Club** for providing the beautiful floral arrangement for tonight's meeting.

**1. ROLL CALL:** The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. with Vice Mayor O'Connell presiding and Councilmembers Ruane, Ibarra, and Pallas in attendance. Mayor Franzella was absent with notice and City Clerk Simon was recording.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Led by CATV camera operator Patrick Ehrich who had returned from the U.S. Army after a four-year leave from his position at San Bruno Cable TV.

#### **PRESENTATIONS:**

- a. **Vice Mayor O'Connell** presented **25 year Service Award and Pin** to employee Steve Freitas. Mr. Freitas introduced his family and thanked the City Council for the opportunity to have worked for the City of San Bruno. The best part is that he also lives in San Bruno and feels it is a great community. **Vice Mayor O'Connell** responded that it is the City's privilege to have Mr. Freitas as an employee and desires that he stay another 25 years.
- b. Interim Skyline College President Shirley Kelly, provided an update to the City Council on recent **campus facility improvements**. President Kelly stated that she remains the current president of the College of San Mateo while a search is on to replace outgoing president Fran White. Skyline College is building a new Student Support & Community Services Center and a new Science Annex. The two new buildings will be constructed adjacent to each other and together will create a "welcoming gateway" adding comfort and professionalism to the campus. Construction will be completed in the summer of 2006. In addition, the tennis courts, soccer field, baseball field, and track will all be renovated. Measure C approved by the voters of San Mateo County provides funding.

**Councilmember Pallas** asked if Skyline College was taking care of access issues and will it be handicap accessible? President Kelly replied yes it would and elevators are being installed.

**Councilmember Ibarra** stated this is a nice design and looking forward to seeing it completed. Feels new buildings are being designed to make an entryway into the college, which has been lacking. He wanted to know what the plans were for the former Pacific Heights School? President Kelly replied that the school is being used by the college and has been much improved and has become an important part of the campus. He thanked President Kelly for allowing community groups and members to make use of the campus buildings.

**Vice Mayor O'Connell** thanked President Kelly for the report.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- a. Proclamation declaring October 2004 as “**National Breast Cancer Awareness Month**”. **Vice Mayor O'Connell** read the proclamation and requested the City Clerk put the Web site address [www.komen.org](http://www.komen.org) on San Bruno CATV Channel 11-message board so residents are able to obtain more information on prevention and treatment of breast cancer.
- b. Proclamation declaring the week of October 3<sup>rd</sup> through October 9<sup>th</sup> as **National Fire Prevention Week** in San Bruno and acknowledging the San Bruno Fire Department's 51<sup>st</sup> anniversary of the **Annual Fire Prevention Poster Contest**. **Vice Mayor O'Connell** presented to Fire Chief Dan Voreyer. Chief Voreyer announced the 51<sup>st</sup> annual fire prevention poster contest and winners would be acknowledged on October 8, 2004 at Capuchino High School starting at 7:00 p.m. The public is invited to attend this event.

#### **2. REVIEW OF AGENDA: No changes were made.**

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** The regular Council meeting minutes of **September 14, 2004** were approved as submitted.

**4. CONSENT CALENDAR:** All items listed are considered routine or implement an earlier Council action and may be enacted by one motion; there will be no separate discussion unless requested by Councilmember, citizen or staff.

- a. **Approve: Payroll** of September 10, 2004
- b. **Approve: Accounts Payable** of September 7, 2004. (Council Packets only, copy is available for review at the City Clerk's office)
- c. **Accept: Reconciliation of General Ledger** to Bank reports and the **Investment Report** dated August 31, 2004 as submitted by City Treasurer Karen Hornung.
- d. **Accept: 2004 Conflict of Interest Code Biennial Notice** as required by the Political Reform Act. City Attorney Thompson and City Clerk Simon have reviewed the **City's conflict-of-interest code** and have determined revisions are needed to include new positions, titles, and deletion of positions that have been abolished. Amendments will be submitted to the City Council within 90 days.
- e. **Accept: Letter of resignation** from Planning Commissioner Mark Tobin and direct the City Clerk to post the required “Notice of Vacancy”.

**Councilmember Ibarra** pulled item 4.e for discussion. **M/S Ruane/Pallas** to approve the remainder of the consent items and passed with unanimous vote; Franzella absent.

**Councilmember Ibarra** acknowledged and thanked Mark Tobin for all his hard work on the Planning Commission and understood due to personal reasons he was leaving the Commission. **M/S Ibarra/Ruane** to accept item 4.e and passed with unanimous vote; Franzella absent.

**5. PUBLIC HEARINGS:** (Notices have been published, posted, and mailed.) **None**

**6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** **None**

**7. CALL FOR, PRESENTATION OF BIDS, and AWARD OF CONTRACTS:**

- a. Director of Public Works Munns recommended the City Council adopt Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a **Construction Contract Amendment** by Change Order with Flowers Electric and Service Company to Install Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) Equipment for **Well No. 20**, for the Not-to-Exceed Amount of \$57,862.50.

Director Munns requested the City Council take both items a & b at the same time since the staff report and power point would cover both contracts and explain staff recommendations.

- b. Director of Public Works Munns recommended the City Council adopt Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute **Amendment No. 3 to the Consultant Agreement** with Brown and Caldwell to provide additional construction support services for **Well 20**, and Design and Construction Support Services for Pump and Motor Replacement for **Well 18**, for the not to exceed amount of \$70,000.

Director Munns explained the project history on both Well 20 and Well 18 and presented a very detailed and extensive power point presentation repeating the construction history of Well 20 given at the September 14, 2004 City Council meeting.

**Councilmember Ibarra** questioned why the SCADA equipment was left out of the original contract to complete Well No. 20? Director Munns replied that the department wanted to ensure the equipment was compatible and could be added at the end of the contract.

**Councilmember Ibarra** said Well No. 18 has had previous problems with its pumps and they don't seem to last longer than the one year warranty and how much is it costing us? Director Munns said the cost is approximately \$40,000 to purchase and install a new motor and pump.

**Councilmember Pallas** said he knows the Public Works department has done a lot of work but he is not happy with the results. He was told that Well 20 would be finished by the end of August 2004 and it has already been one and one half years. Now we are told that the motor is out on Well 18 and it seems we are having more trouble now than in the past years. Will all the wells be in operation by the first of year? Director Munns replied that if the Council approves staff's recommendation tonight, all wells would be in operation the first of the year 2005.

**Councilmember Pallas** said the County wants to have bottled water available if the Hetch Hetchy system goes down. They will need over one million gallons per day and if we had Well 20 available we could provide this water since it will produce three million gallons a day. We should contact the County and let them know we can take care of their needs.

**Councilmember Pallas** asked what the condition of the water was at Well 20 as it pertains to manganese and iron? Director Munns reported the levels were higher than the secondary treatment levels allow without filters being used. Councilmember Pallas asked what are the parts per million of manganese in the Well No 20 water?

**Vice Mayor O'Connell** requested that Council stay on the agenda topic and Mr. Pallas could call Mr. Munns and discuss other issues not before us tonight.

**Councilmember Pallas** said we are facing a six-year drought and it is extremely important to get these wells on line and we are just not doing enough.

**Robert Riechel** of 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue asked if there was any recourse from the supplier of the submersible pump for Well 18 because of the faulty design? Director Munns replied that these motors come in different sizes and the one picked for Well 18 was slightly oversized and it was a conscience decision by staff.

**Councilmember Ruane** introduced the resolution approving a construction contract amendment on Well 20 with a roll call vote of Ayes, Ruane, Ibarra, and O’Connell; No’s none, Abstain, Pallas, Absent Franzella.

**Councilmember Ruane** introduced the resolution approving the consultant agreement for Well 20 and Well 18 with a roll call vote of Ayes, Ruane, Ibarra, and O’Connell; No’s none, Abstain, Pallas, Absent Franzella.

## **8. COMMUNICATIONS: None**

## **9. STAFF REPORTS:**

- a. City Treasurer Hornung recommended City Council adopt a resolution amending the City of San Bruno **Investment Policy**.

**Treasurer Hornung** gave the staff report and explained that State Law has changed regarding Banker’s Acceptance certificates. We must reduce the number of days from 270 to 180 in order to be in compliance with state laws.

**Councilmember Ruane** introduced the resolution making this change to the investment policy with roll call vote of all Ayes and Absent Franzella.

- b. City Manager Jackson recommended City Council adopt a resolution of support for **Proposition 1A**, “Protection of Local Government Revenues”, which will be on the November 2, 2004, general election ballot.

City Manager Jackson gave the staff report and explained that over 7 million dollars has been taken from the City of San Bruno by the State of California. The next issue of the City’s “Focus” newsletter has a very extensive article, which explains this proposition, and the serious budget actions our City had to take to continue providing services to citizens.

**Councilmember Ibarra** said most citizens don’t realize what has happened to local revenues over the last 10 years. They only know that cut backs have been made and they still pay their taxes and where is the money? We must cover our bases and protect local revenues and no one should be opposed to this proposition.

**Councilmember Ibarra** introduced the resolution for adoption with a roll call vote of all ayes and absent Franzella.

## **10. REPORT OF CITY ATTORNEY - RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES: None**

## **11. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON AGENDA:**

**Rose Urbach** of Euclid Avenue said the City purchased the former Wells Fargo Site to leverage it with other San Mateo Avenue improvements. If we paid \$400,000 for it why would we deny Joe Welch’s request to buy and improve for \$500,000? Why not use property for a Municipal Building and put in a new City Council Chamber?

**Vice Mayor O’Connell** clarified that the property has not been sold to anyone. Mr. Welch did not follow proper procedures required by law in order to dispose of Redevelopment property.

**Ronald Davis** of Goodwin Drive is new homeowner and his property line is 26 feet from the sidewalk. He wants to landscape but a small portion near the sidewalk is owned by the City of San Bruno. This small piece of property is of no value to the City and he could clear the weeds and maintain the property. The bus stop near by causes junk and debris to be dumped on the property. He is willing to pay for the cost of transfer.

**Vice Mayor O'Connell** referred this matter to staff who will be contacting Mr. Davis in the near future.

## **12. REPORT OF COMMISSIONS, BOARDS, & COMMITTEES:**

The Beautification Task Force and the Environmental/Recycling Committee will present the **8<sup>th</sup> Annual Beautification Awards** at the October 12, 2004 City Council Meeting starting at 7:00 P.M. **Vice Mayor O'Connell** announced that all homeowners and businesses nominated for an award have been mailed an invitation and the public is invited to attend.

**Councilmember Pallas** announced that the Project Pride Committee is scheduling the Annual Halloween Parade at the end of October and more information will be presented at the next City Council meeting. The hope is that Tanforan Mall will once again be available in 2005.

**Vice Mayor O'Connell** reminded the public that time is running out and in order to vote in the November 2, 2004 Presidential election. You must register to vote by October 4, 2004. (A new state law now allows up to 14 days before a general election so 10/18/2004 is last day to register.) Please call the City Clerk's office at 650 616 7058 for more information. She announced a new Web Site, which will give our residents more information about the use of Chloramine in the water supply and ways to filter it out if that is their desire. Staff will post on the City's Web Site this new link [www.nsf.org](http://www.nsf.org)

## **13. NEW BUSINESS: None**

## **14. ADJOURNMENT:**

With no further business to transact, at approximately 8:45 p.m. meeting was adjourned to October 12, 2004 at 6:30 p.m. for the purpose of interviewing applicants for committees, boards, and commissions; thereafter, meeting will adjourn to the regular City Council meeting of October 12, 2004, starting at 7:00 p.m. 1555 Crystal Springs Road.

**Respectfully submitted for approval  
at the regular City Council Meeting  
of October 12, 2004**

**Ed Simon, City Clerk**

**Irene O'Connell, Vice Mayor**